Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An optical circuit enclosure enclosing at least one optical circuit or optical circuit component; the said enclosure comprising:

a tray-type container containing at least one circuit or components,

a tray-type closure member having a base with an external surface and arranged with the external surface covering the container, the closure member carrying on the opposite side thereof from the container at least one further optical circuit component for connecting the enclosed circuit or component to an external circuit or component, and

sealing means providing a moisture-resistant seal between the container and the closure member;

wherein the sealing means provides a moisture resistant seal between the container, the closure member and fibre optic connecting cables exiting an enclosed region of the container from the enclosed circuit or component; and

wherein the sealing means comprises a pair of sealing strip members and the optical fibres are located between the sealing strip members and sealed to the sealing strip members by the application of heat and/or pressure.

2-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the closure member is attachably/detachably mounted with respect to the container.

8. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the enclosed circuit or component is a pre-installed and/or pre-fabricated circuit or

component installed in the container during manufacturing assembly thereof.

9. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the at least one further optical circuit or component comprises an optical splitter, coupler, attenuator filter, or other passive and/or active optical component(s) and/or fibre optic cable.

10. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure as claimed in Claim 1 comprising at least one further container and wherein the closure member closes each of the containers, thereby to provide separate enclosures for respective optical circuits and/or components.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure enclosing at least one optical circuit or optical circuit component together with lengths of optical fibre which extend outwards of the enclosure for optically connecting the enclosed circuit(s) or component(s) to an external circuit or component, the enclosure comprising:

a tray-type container containing at least one enclosed circuit or component, and

a tamper-evident closure member sealing the container around the enclosed circuit or component and the enclosed lengths of optical fibre.

13. (Previously Presented) An enclosure as claimed in Claim 12 wherein the tamper evident closure member comprises a laminar element sealed to an open end of the container.

14. (Original) An enclosure as claimed in Claim 13 wherein the laminar element comprises a moisture resistant barrier.

15. (Previously Presented) An enclosure as claimed in Claim 14 wherein the barrier element comprises a flexible sheet having a metallised moisture resistant layer.

16. (Currently Amended) An enclosure as claimed in ~~any~~ Claim 12 wherein the tamper-evident closure member comprises a laminar element [[is]] sealed to a periphery of the container.

17.-18. (Canceled)

19. (Previously Presented) An enclosure according to Claim 12, wherein the enclosed optical circuit or component is at least partly enclosed in a sealed bag-like article which is itself wholly enclosed within the container.

20. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure enclosing at least one optical circuit or optical circuit component together with lengths of optical fibre which extend outwards of the enclosure for optically connecting the enclosed circuit or component to an external circuit or component, the enclosure comprising:

a tray-type container containing at least one enclosed circuit or component; and

a tamper-evident closure member sealing the said container around the enclosed circuit or component and the enclosed lengths of optical fibre, wherein optical fibres entering and/or leaving the enclosure are sealed between opposed portions of the tamper-evident closure member.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously Presented) An optical circuit enclosure as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the external surface closes the container.

23. (Cancelled)